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R 211450Z OCT 76  
FM AMEMBASSY ANKARA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5225  
INFO AMEMBASSY ATHENS  
USMISSION EC BRUSSELS  
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C O N F I D E N T I A L ANKARA 8058

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: EEC, TU  
SUBJECT: TURKISH-EC RELATIONS

REF: (A) ANKARA 7986, (B) EC BRUSSELS 10275, (C) EC BRUSSELS 8785

1. NECDET ILCI, DIRECTOR, EC AFFAIRS, MFA, HAS INQUIRED OF  
E/COM COUNSELOR WHETHER USG HAS MADE ANY REPRESENTATIONS TO  
PERSUADE EC TO MAINTAIN GOOD RELATIONS WITH TURKEY, AS REPORTED  
OCTOBER 16 IN TURKISH PRESS. RESPECTED DAILY, MILLIYET, THAT  
DATE, STATED THAT US DOES NOT WANT TO SEE DETERIORATION IN  
TURKISH-EC RELATIONS AND HAS ASKED NINE "NOT TO SEVER THEIR  
RELATIONS WITH TURKEY".

2. EMBASSY WOULD BE INTERESTED IN KNOWING WHETHER US HAS INDEED  
MADE SUCH REPRESENTATIONS. IF NOT, EMBASSY WOULD  
RECOMMEND THAT DEPARTMENT CONSIDER DOING SO, ON GROUNDS  
THAT IN PERIOD WHEN CONGRESS IS NOT ACTING ON PROPOSED  
DEFENSE COOPERATION AGREEMENT, CURRENT DIFFICULTIES  
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BETWEEN COMMUNITY AND TURKEY POSE ADDED THREAT TO

TURKISH TIES WITH WEST.

3. ALTHOUGH DIFFERENCE OF VIEWS WITHIN COALITION GOVERNMENT HAS UNDOUBTEDLY COMPLICATED TURKISH DECISION-MAKING PROCESS WITH REGARD TO EC, PROBLEMS OF TURKISH RELATIONS WITH COMMON MARKET DO NOT REPEAT NOT ALL PROCEED FROM TURKISH SIDE. READINESS OF SOME ELEMENTS IN EC AS WELL AS TURKEY TO GO TO BRINK, TOGETHER WITH WHAT WE REGARD AS MISTAKEN JUDGMENT THAT TURKS MIGHT BE BROUGHT TO ACCEPT MERE COSMETIC CHANGES IN EC PACKAGE (REF B), MAKE IT LIKELY THAT TURKS WILL NOT MAKE TARIFF REDUCTIONS DUE TO JANUARY AND THAT TURKISH-EC RELATIONS WILL CONTINUE TO DETERIORATE. TO AVOID THIS WE WOULD HOPE THAT COMMUNITY COULD BE PERSUADED TO DISPLAY SOMEWHAT GREATER FLEXIBILITY IN ITS DEALINGS WITH GOT THAN IT HAS TO DATE.  
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